

Remarks

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment is requested prior to examination on the merits. By the amendments, the specification (including the title of invention), abstract, and claims 1-5 are amended to correct informalities, clerical and translation errors, and indefinite portions therein.

Applicant submits that no new matter is added by the amendments, and supports for the amendments can be found from throughout the original application, including the specification, drawings, and claims as filed, together with the foreign priority applications of which the present application claims the priority.

Applicant enclosed hereto a Request For Participation In The PCT–Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilot Program Between The Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) And The USPTO (form PTO/SB/20PCT-KR), together with a Transmittal For Petition To Make Special Under PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway. As detailed in the attached Transmittal, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application meets the conditions to participate in the PPH program, and an expedited examination under the PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway program is respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully submits that the present application after entering this Preliminary Amendment is in condition for allowance as the informalities and errors therein are corrected by the amendments, and as all of the claims (i.e., claims 1-5) of the counterpart PCT application (PCT/KR2005/003703) are indicated to be novel and involve an inventive step as shown in the attached Written Opinion of The International Searching Authority (PCT/ISA/237). All the claims of the present application as amended sufficiently correspond to all of these allowable claims of the counterpart PCT application.

Applicant further notes that Korean applications over which the present PCT-

national-stage application claims priority are all issued as patents and all the claims of this application as amended sufficiently correspond to the patented claims of the Korean applications. More specifically, among the two Korean priority applications, Korean Application No. 10-2004-0089196 was issued as Korean Patent No. 10-0473432 (a copy enclosed hereto) which includes two patented claims. Applicant submits that the amended claims 1 and 2 of the present application sufficiently correspond to the two patented claims of this Korean patent. In addition, the other priority application, namely, Korean Application No. 10-2005-0022911 was also issued as Korean Patent No. 10-0501811 (a copy enclosed hereto) which includes three patented claims. Applicant submits that the amended claims 3-5 of the present application sufficiently correspond to the patented claims of this Korean patent.

Accordingly, in view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application deserves an expedited examination under the PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway program and that the present application as amended by this Preliminary Amendment is in condition for allowance. Early notice of to that effect is earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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